

# Hard X-ray Telescope Glass Optics Development

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### **HXT Glass Optics Technology**

- Epoxy-replicated, thermally-formed glass substrates, graphite spacer mounting
- HXT mirrors of thermally-formed glass with epoxy replication are similar in concept to SXT, however required resolution is 4x larger, mirror dimensions are significantly smaller:
  - HXT uses conical approximation: mandrels are much less expensive and can be cylindrical or conical.
  - Can utilize simpler, already-proven mounting approach
  - Have recently demonstrated that larger-radius shells do not require replication to meet 60" requirement: cost savings
- HXT development can leverage some aspects of SXT program: in particular the replication and forming processes.



HEFT Module, 72 shells.



### **HXT Baseline Glass Mirror Parameters**

Parameter	Description	
Design	Segmented conical approximation	
Substrate material	Thermally formed glass	
Reflecting surface fabrication	Epoxy replication	
X-ray reflecting surface	W/Si graded multilayer	
Number of shells/mirror	150	
Reflector length	25 cm	
# azimuthal segments	6	
Largest reflector surface area	130 cm <sup>2</sup>	
Outer, inner mirror radius	20cm, 3cm	
Substrate density	2.4 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
Reflector thickness	0.3 mm	
Reflector roughness	0.4 nm	



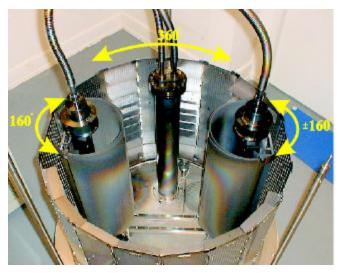
### **HXT technology Status Summary**

All production steps have been demonstrated

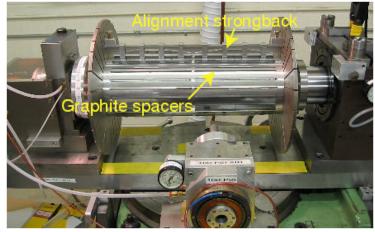


Thermal forming and replication

(Columbia & GSFC)



Multilayer coating in high-throughput chamber (DSRI)



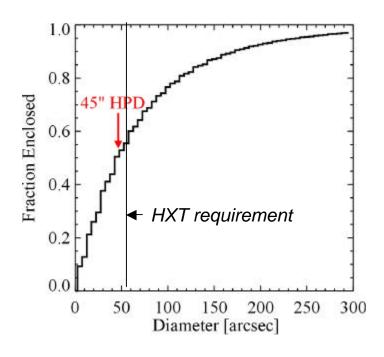
Shell mounting (developed by Columbia/LLNL and transferred to industry)



### **HXT Technology status: mirrors**



**HEFT flight mirror** 



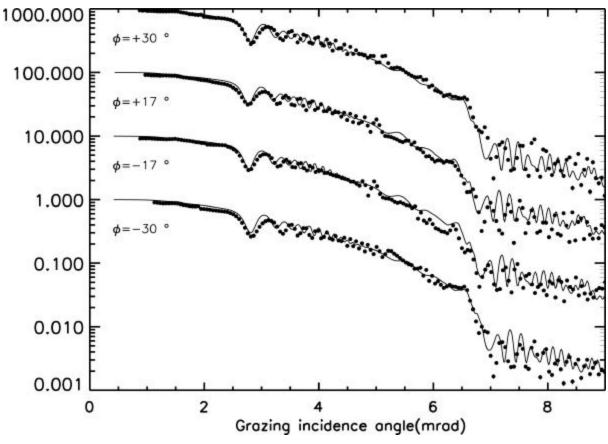
- Glass segments without replication coated, assembled into 72-shell optic
- Demonstrated 45" on a Con-X prototype consisting of unreplicated intermediate-size shells
- Uncoated, replicated shells mounted and characterized.

Poor mandrel limited performance, uncoated due to high roughness



## **HXT Technology status: mirrors**

Required multilayer reflectance has been demonstrated on formed glass of appropriate radii (but without replicated surface).



34 keV data taken at ESRF - graded W/Si multilayers



### Glass mirror development plan

Produce 6-shell prototype with replicated glass, some segments coated with W/Si multilayers of Con-X design.

Characterize prototype with X-ray beam scans for HPD, reflectance, throughput.

Results of this prototype development will be used to select the technology for development of full-size prototype.



# **HXT optics prototype**

#### Technology selection prototype

#### Engineering prototype

	Glass - replica surface	Nickel	Selected technology
Shell thickness	0.4 mm	0.1 - 0.11 mm	Parameters TBD
Segments/shell	24 (6 azimuthal, 4 axial)	1	TBD
Multilayer	W/Si	W/Si, Iridium	W/Si
Focal length	10 m	10 m	10 m
# shells	6	6	TBD
Shell diameter, length	21 cm, 10 cm 20 cm	15 (1 shell) - 28 cm, 43.6 cm	Span full radius range in design
goals	<ul> <li>Demonstrate 30" HPD resolution with replica shells</li> <li>Demonstrate coating on replica surfaces</li> <li>Demonstrate required throughput</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Demonstrate HPD for thin Ni shells</li> <li>Demonstrate internal ML coating technique</li> <li>Demonstrate required throughput</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Thermal/vacuum test for stability and robustness of components and to experimentally establish flight requirements</li> <li>Demonstrate performance for representative shells covering entire radius range</li> <li>Mechanical/vibration test for stability, and to establish isolation requirements</li> </ul>
Timeframe	Selection: 12/03	'	



### **Prototype Development Status**

Two replication mandrels procured:

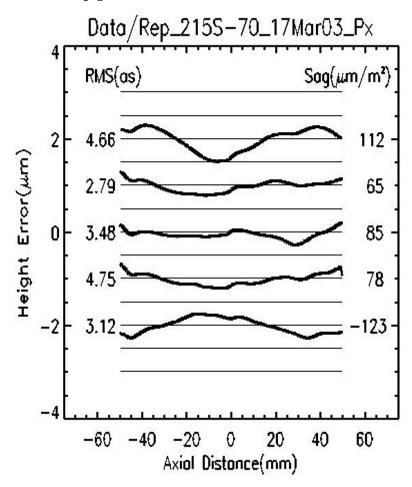
21 cm diameter BF Goodrich mandrel being polished by GSFC to 4.5 Angstroms rms.

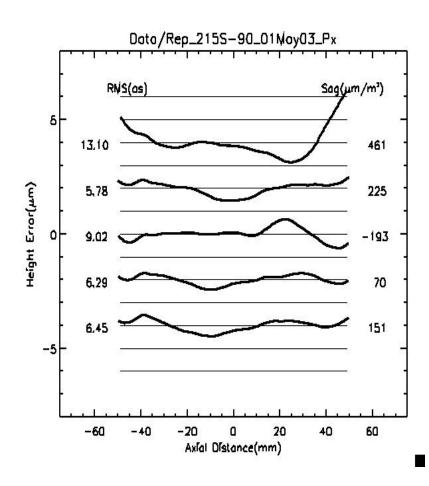
10 cm diameter Zerodur mandrel polished to 3 Angstroms purchased from SESO (France)

GSFC/Goodrich mandrel ready for replication, SESO mandrel to be received this month



### **Prototype Status**







### **Glass Prototype Schedule**

Reflector production complete by August, 03

Reflector mounting complete by October 03

Prototype testing October-November 03

Technology selection - December 03